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According to a decree of the Berlin regional railroad headquarters, dated 11 May 1951, it is planned to increase the maximum speeds for express trains and motor rail coaches on the following lines to speeds between 100 and 120 km per hour:

- Berlin-Frankfurt/Oder-border
- Berlin-Cottbus
- Berlin-Dresden
- Berlin-Halle
- Justerbog-Falkenberg
- Berlin-Wiesenburg
- Berlin-Magdeburg
- Berlin-Oebisfelde
- Berlin-Moestadt
- Berlin-arnemuende
- Berlin-Stralsund via Pasewalk
- Berlin Outer Freight Ring from Michendorf to Crossbeeren.

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Orders were given that the required adjustments on the lines concerned be made in accordance with already scheduled railroad construction and maintenance work. *

* Comment. The report refers to plans for the future because of the critical situation prevailing in the field of rails and ties and the poor maintenance work on Soviet Zone railroad lines. It is believed that the implementation of these plans will meet with great difficulties.

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